

Elwha News

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LOWER ELWHA KLALLAM TRIBE

Breaking Ground: Children's House of Learning

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Elwha Tribal Youth Council

Dear Tribal Citizens,

I hope all is well each and every one of you. It sure has been a while since I've submitted a letter in our monthly newsletter, I have been very busy with travel and other matters—representing our people. I would like to Congratulate Frances (“Gator”) Charles on her re-election to Tribal Council, I and many other greatly appreciate her hard work and dedication to our community, tribal governmental operations, cultural values, economic development, representation on a regional and national level, preserving and protecting our ancestral lands—just to name a few. We raise our hands to you, Frances! I also commend the candidates who did put work into their campaign, obtaining votes in the 70's. Way to go!

For the past few months, I have been busy traveling to different Shaker Churches' in Canada and in the State of Washington. It's always good to see the brother's and sister's on my travels, always very welcoming as we all enter into the Lord's home. So much blessings take place, praise the Lord.

Last month (April, 2019), the Elwha Tribal Youth Council and Elders/Youth Healthy Relationships Program successfully and collaboratively hosted its first Elder/Youth Day Event. On behalf of my colleagues and our membership, we raise our hands to those who assisted us throughout the planning stages and helped make this event possible and successful. Although there was a small turnout, we are very grateful for the little participation we did have at our event.

In closing, although I have submitted a very brief/short letter, I wanted to ensure I submitted a letter to you all anyhow. It's always an honor to communicate with our citizenry through our newsletter. My love and prayers are with each and every one of you. May God bless you all in a very special way. I look forward to submitting a letter to you all next month, hopefully with more updates than this month.

Thank you for reading my letter.

Respectfully,

*Jonathan J. Arakawa
Male Co-Chairperson
Elwha Tribal Youth Council*

Attention!

Paddle to Lummi Pullers and Participants

Now is the time to make sure you are able to get scheduled (if needed) to refill your medications before you leave on any 2019 canoe adventures. Especially important are epi-pens and inhalers. Also, please call the clinic to reschedule medical appointments you may miss while gone. **Do Not Forget** to wear SUNSCREEN. We will have our First Aid tent at the landing on Elwha territory.

Lower Elwha Health Department (360) 452-8471

Submitted by Lorna Mike, Nurse Manager



Tribal Council Resolution List

Number	Date	Resolution Title
43-19	4-15-19	Approval of the Open of Checking Account at Pinnacle Bank– APPROVED
44-19	5-6-19	Village Lot Assignment to: Phillip James Charles– APPROVED
46-19	4-22-19	Authorization of FY 19 Timber, Fish, and Wildlife supplemental funds– APPROVED
47-19	4-29-19	Approval of project summary and MOA for public law 86-121, project no. PO-19-CR44 between LEKT and HIS– APPROVED
48-19	5-6-19	Approval of construction agreement between the LEKT and PNE, LLC for the construction of the Children’s House of Learning with a limited waiver of Tribal sovereign immunity– APPROVED
49-19	5-14-19	Approval of amendment No 1 to MOU between LEKT and NWFSC, NOAA, USDOC, re: Anadromous Fish Communities in the Elwha River– APPROVED
50-19	5-20-19	Adoption of LEKT Policy and Procedures for Tribal Vocational Rehabilitation Program (TVR)- APPROVED
51-19	5-20-19	Submission of FY 19 Tribal Wildlife Grant proposal to the United States Fish and Wildlife Service– APPROVED
52-19	5-14-19	Approval of User Agency Agreements for the DOJ Criminal Justice Information Network and the LEKT– APPROVED
53-19	5-20-19	Authorizing the execution of the Peninsula Regional Transportation Policy Board Inter-Local Agreement with a limited waiver of sovereign immunity– APPROVED
54-19	5-20-19	Authorization to submit FY 2019 Pacific Salmon Treaty Implementation Project proposal and FY 2018 Performance Report– APPROVED
55-19	5-20-19	Grant of Right of Way Dry Creek Road Construction Project– APPROVED

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Thank you

Port Angeles at dawn May 2019



Photo by Kent Ellis



Letter from CEO William (Bill) White



June –
cenkitsen
or
month of the spring salmon

A few months ago I noted some data on hiring and how Indian Preference is working. I want to take a few minutes now to expand on that, to share a few specific examples with you, and my thoughts about the impacts on the Lower Elwha S'Klallam Tribe.

We have filled, or are in the process of filling, several key positions in Tribal government. Looking back over the last few months, I note the promotion of Keri Ellis (Tribal member) to the position of my Executive Assistant. That was the result of an open recruitment. A little over a month ago, an interview panel selected a new Chief of Police, Sam White, (Tribal member) following an open recruitment.

Lorna Mike (Tribal member), retired from a very successful and well recognized career at Providence Hospital in Olympia, to return home and step in at the Lower Elwha Health Department.

Last summer, we obtained Linty Hopie (Tribal member) as the Enterprise Chief Operating Officer. Linty hit the ground running and has continued pushing Tribal enterprise goals forward.

A few weeks ago, we interviewed candidates for the Chief Operating Officer, who works directly with the CEO. We had three Tribal applicants, and were able to offer that job to an outstanding young Tribal candidate. See that announcement on the cover of this edition.

I congratulate each and every one of them for qualifying themselves to perform these jobs. All of them had proven their skill level and commitment throughout their previous employment. And I want to stress that hiring Tribal members brings a sense of care, ownership, dedication, and commitment that many non-Tribal individuals may have a hard time bringing to the job site. That is not a put down of non-Tribal employees, but this is not their ancestral home, their people, their future. For many Tribal members, it is.

We are able to set high standards, attract, and keep skilled and qualified Tribal members in the work force. More leadership positions are being filled as well. I predict you are well on your way to some phenomenal accomplishments. So a big shout out to those Tribal members who have developed their knowledge base, armed themselves with skills and abilities, climbed mountains of adversity and challenges, and are willing and able to come home and provide that knowledge and those services locally. There isn't enough money in the bank to pay for that benefit.

Let me end with my sincere thanks to all the staff who supported the families dealing with losses this last month. Only in Tribes do I witness this sort of pulling together. My sympathy and condolences to all who have been affected. We mourn, each in our own way. A-ho.

~ **Bill White, CEO**



Lower Elwha Health Department



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2019 is the year of change for your Lower Elwha Health Department!

**New leadership, new providers, new services and a new Electronic Health Record System,
“NextGen”.**

Quality of Care is our Top Priority. We are continually taking steps to optimize our services.

On June 3rd we will be implementing our new Electronic Health Record System to better meet your health care needs.

Your feedback is welcome! Your feedback helps us improve patient care! (You may provide feedback via patient survey at the front desk or the comment box in the lobby.)

With transitioning to a new Electronic Health Record System, we would appreciate the following:

When you arrive for your visit please bring the following:

- ***Your Photo ID***
- ***If you are Native American or Alaskan Native please bring your Tribal ID or CIB for full benefits of the Lower Elwha Health Department.***
- ***Bring all your insurance cards.***
- ***Please bring ALL your medication bottles (or an up-to-date detailed medication list)- so we start your record with the safest information possible.***

With this implementation we will be lengthening medical visits to allow you more time with your provider; your patience is greatly appreciated.

We may ask you to verify other information, and fill out a few forms during the implementation process to ensure you receive the best care possible.

Thank you for your assistance, support, feedback, and patience at this time.

We truly look forward to better meeting your health care needs now, and for years to come.



Improving health care quality through accreditation

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Lower Elwha Health Department

Klallam Counseling Services

Submitted by Brandy Swan, KCS

Sobriety Slam Volleyball Tournament

April was Alcohol Awareness month and to help promote recovery, community involvement and a healthy, active, fun clean and sober lifestyle, KCS hosted the first Sobriety Slam Volleyball Tournament on April 27th at the Lower Elwha Gym. Program Assistant, Brandy Swan did a fantastic job organizing and promoting this very successful event!

The Sobriety Slam Tournament was open to the public and teams came from Neah Bay, Port Angeles and Sequim to participate. There was a great turnout and lots of enthusiasm for the event - the tournament was filled to capacity with eight teams entering! Each team played three pool play games in the morning to determine which teams would be playing in the Gold Bracket and which teams would be playing in the Silver Bracket in the afternoon. Championship t-shirts were awarded to the winners of the Gold Bracket and the Silver Bracket. Additionally, each team had one member that was awarded an All Star t-shirt. The All Star for each team was chosen by the opposing team during pool play. Thank you to all of the teams and all of the people that came to watch the tournament for your support and to Brandy for organizing this event!



KCS Sobriety Slam All-Star recipients



KCS Sobriety Slam Silver Bracket Winners

Foraging for Stinging Nettles



Nettle Pesto made from Nettles collected by KCS treatment groups.

In the first weeks of May, the KCS Intensive Outpatient Groups went foraging for Stinging Nettles. For many, it was the first time that they had been able to participate in this type of activity. Groups went to the Warrior Path where they were able to appreciate and respect the beauty of nature while harvesting Nettles. Groups also learned about the different health benefits and uses of Stinging Nettles. After harvesting the Nettles, the groups returned to KCS where they were able to make and sample Nettle Pesto and drink Nettle Tea. Each group also has Nettles at KCS that they are drying to use in making balms and salves in the upcoming months. Thank you to Aleilah Lawson from the Lower Elwha Health Department for helping to organize and facilitating this fun and informational group activity!



Health Department News Articles submitted by Emma Bankson, Dental & Matthew Whitacre, Health Director

Farewell to Garrett Reynolds

We are saddened to announce the departure of Physician Assistant Garrett Reynolds. Over the past year, Garrett has helped provide excellent patient care, and he has been greatly appreciated by staff and patients alike. His dedication and professionalism as well as sense of humor commendable. Garrett will be missed by coworkers and patients and the community. And we wish Garrett all the best on his future journey's.



Goodbye to Tracey Sanchez

The Lower Elwha Dental Clinic is sad to say good by to valued long-time team member, Tracey Sanchez. Tracey has been with the tribe for 20+ years. Tracey has built strong bonds with the patient's and shared knowledge of history and learned knowledge from the clinic. Tracey has three daughters that she glows about. The heart that Tracey has put in to her community is inspiring. The Lower Elwha Health Department wishes Tracey and her family the best. Many thanks to Tracey for all her years of contribution, dedication and wonderful patient care.



Interview with Nurse Lorna Mike, RN

Lorna Mike, RN is a Lower Elwha Tribal Member who recently joined the Lower Elwha Health Department Team as the new Clinic Triage Nurse. Nurse Lorna was born in Tacoma and raised in Port Angeles. She has twos and loves spoiling her grandchildren. She kindly agreed to a brief interview.

How long have you been a Nurse?

Over 24 years

Why did you choose this field?

I have always had an affinity to help people. I was the one my step mom, Bea Charles, practiced verbal teaching before she went out in the community as a CHR. I wanted to do that, educate, teach, help, heal.

What is one thing you want the community to know about your job?

I love what I do. I help with problems getting medications. I supervise 5 great medical assistants and we strive to assure that patients needs are priority.

What is your fondest memory of growing up?

Playing fast pitch and community picnics at the beach. Each family would decide what they could bring and load the cars. Kids am make a day of it. Food was served out of the trunks and it was so much fun.

Do you have any animals?

I do not, but my daughter does although I think one owns me LOL! A Lab and Pit Bull. They are like kids and I love them to bits. I'd have a farm if I could manage it. Growing up, I remember we had loads of animals. Horses, pigs, chickens, rabbits and a guard goose. I always tried to rescue any animals I saw wandering around (probably had a home) I love animals.



National Smile Month

June is National Smile Month. Smiling is beneficial for everyone! When you smile, your brain releases a feel-good neurotransmitter called dopamine. Smiles are contagious which can cause someone to smile back at you which gives them the same effect of dopamine!

Feeling good about your smile really influences how often you smile. Good oral routine begins at birth. Infants can have their gums wiped with a clean wet washcloth when they are in the tub. Wiping the gums helps the infant build the habit of cleaning teeth which helps reduce the resistance of brushing teeth when teeth erupt.

If you are not comfortable with your smile you can talk to your dental team. It is never too late to build good habits that your dental team can make many recommendations to fit your health and lifestyle



Lower Elwha Health Department-Feedback

The Lower Elwha Health Department Values and Appreciates your Feedback.

Customer Comment Card Summary:

- 10 Appreciation for employees
- 1 Dissatisfied with medical chairs
- 2 Dissatisfied with staff changes
- 2 Dissatisfied with dental reception location
- 3 Inadequate follow through from clinic
- 1 Dissatisfied with staff treatment
- 1 Phone message inaccurate
- 4 Requests

24 Comment Cards received

Comment Card Response:

Response to dental reception change. Several comments received.

The Lower Elwha Health Department is currently in the process of implementing a new Electronic Medical Record (E.M.R.) System called NexGen. This system is going to bring the various health programs under one system, improving health care and communication. Having a centralized check in station is part of the process. Our goal is to reduce barriers for patients and be more accessible and improves access and communication. We apologize for any challenges that the new implementation process has generated and we are working each day to address, improve and optimize services for you.

Paperwork, proper forms faxes and delays and little communication.

With the new EMR system, NextGen, much of the challenges with paperwork, communication, faxes, prescriptions, and referrals should improve. Please continue to let us know when challenges occur so that we can address them, and thank you for your patience as we move forward with the new and improved system.

Bring back the toys:

Our goal is to keep our staff and patient's healthy. Our Health and Safety team is working to develop a policy to help address this in the best manner possible.

Dental Ortho program desire:

The ortho program is still going to continue. It is a very generous program the tribe has offered. Most insurances will not help with esthetics and the dental team has educated the importance of this support and the Tribal Council listened.

Customer Service – patients wishing to be greeted in a kind and professional manner:

Thank you for speaking up. We agree and would appreciate knowing what happened. Please feel free to let us know your concerns any time. We want to be supportive and professional healthy environment.

Phone message is incorrect:

We have been working with staff, managers and the LEKT IT department to insure that phone messages are current.

The Wellness Center accepting debit/credit cards & self-check in kiosk:

These are great recommendations. These ideas will be brought up to help our clinic become efficient. Thank you both for your recommendations.

Chairs in the medical exam rooms are uncomfortable:

This has been discussed and recognized. These chairs are due to be replaced and they will be replaced.

10 Comments complimenting staff and facility:

Thank you for taking the time to share your good experience!

Again thank you for taking a few moments to provide us with your comments and feedback. It is greatly appreciated and valued.



Lower Elwha Health Department– Men's Health

June is Men's Health Month

From the desk of the CHR Roberta Kimberly

Men make yourself your number 1 priority



When was the last time you went to the clinic for a Physical Exam?

Is it time for your yearly exam, testing and screening? Men of all ages are encouraged to visit your Health Care Provider.

At 50 years of age and older it is time to talk to your provider about prostate Health and Colon screening.

MEN'S HEALTH DAY

LEHD HEALTH FAIR

JUNE 20, 2019

11:00 am to 4:00 PM

Info, Booths, Snacks, Raffles and more!!

Men's Health Day Goals:

Get your physical and get the facts.

- ⇒ men's cancer educ.
- ⇒ colon cancer,
- ⇒ heart disease,
- ⇒ oral neck cancer,
- ⇒ Diabetes
- ⇒ Blood pressure
- ⇒ Nutrition
- ⇒ Exercise
- ⇒ And much more
- ⇒ Drug and Alcohol information
- ⇒ Acupuncture info.

LOWER ELWHA WELLNESS CENTER

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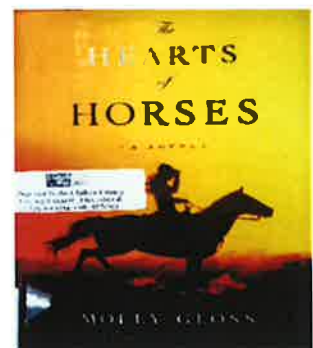
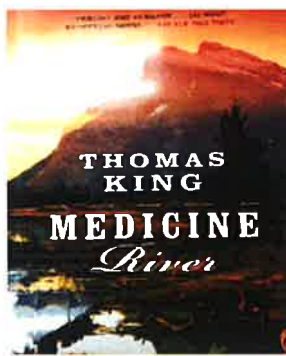
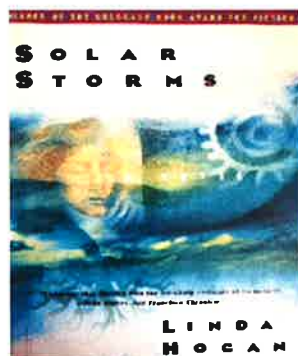
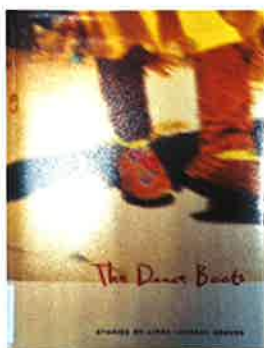


LEKT Library

Elwha Youth have been hard at work building their skills in Internet Literacy, Mathematics, Reading and Writing during After School Drop-In Program tutoring. Drop-In offers incentive snacks (Ramen Noodles for example) given after reading for twenty minutes or completing one full page of homework (both sides).



Below are a few book suggestions from the LEKT Library Collection; which may be good reading as you ease into those balmy evenings with Summer approaching!



We welcome you to come-in and browse, read, research, share a good story or post some interesting LEKT Community news!!

Best Wishes,

-Brian Freitag

LEKT Library Manager



JOM Graduation & After-School Program

**Congratulations
Class of 2019**

Honoring the Native American Class of 2019

The Education Department invites
high school graduates and their parents
to this year's

JOM Graduation Ceremony

Red Lion Ballroom

Tuesday, June 11, 2019

5 pm - 8 pm

Please RSVP to jessica.egnew@elwha.org
or kristina.cain@elwha.org



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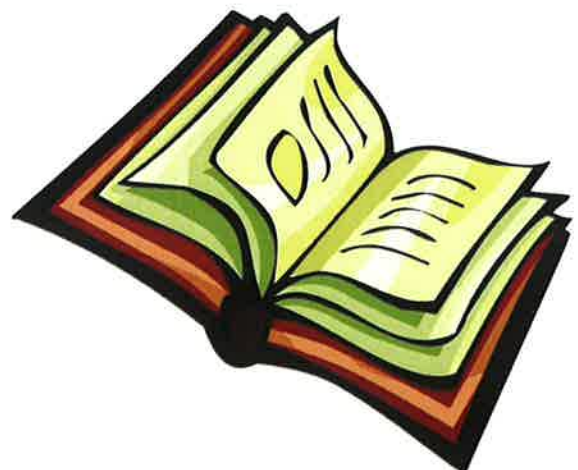
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Klallam Language Program

Fun

Play

Laughter

In April, field tripped to the Bainbridge Island Pool, Played at the Ballfield, Creating My Face Books, Mother's Day Craft. Also play board and card Games in Klallam





Klallam Language & Culture– The Story of Nahkeeta

The Story of Nahkeeta-as told by Jamie Valadez



Many years have passed since Nahkeeta, a beautiful maiden, lived in the northern foothills of what are now known as the Olympic Mountains. Nahkeeta was a gentle girl, qǎʔŋi, greatly loved by her people. She was as pretty and as graceful as the maidenhair ferns which grew in the forest. Her voice was as cheerful and musical as the little stream which flowed from under the waterfall not far from her home. Her people were Klallam, nəxˈsʌ́yəm'. They got most of their food, sʔlən, from the salt water and rivers. In the summer, after the salmon, sčánnəxˈ, had been dried and stored for winter use, the women gathered berries near the edge of the forest. In the autumn, they went to openings in the forest to gather currants, roots and tiger lily bulbs. They almost never went back into the deep woods. One autumn day, Nahkeeta was gathering berries with her mother and sisters. She wandered back into the woods, enjoying the carpets of ferns, the moss-wrapped logs and moss-draped trees, and the yellow-green light that shimmered through the forest. After awhile she realized that she had wandered too far. When she turned around to go back she found that she was lost. She called to her mother and sisters, but she knew that her voice was lost in the bigness and tallness of the forest. She tried to retrace her steps. Slowly the yellow-green sunlight of the forest faded. Darkness came. Nahkeeta struggled on, often climbing over fallen logs and getting tangled with vines and ferns and small trees that grew from the old moss-covered trunks. At last, too weary and frightened to go farther, she dropped down on the moss beside a log and fell asleep. The next morning her people searched for her. “Nahkeeta!”, they called, “Nahkeeta!”, over and over. There was no answer but the song of the wind in the treetops and the murmur of the mountain streams. For three days her people looked for her. On the fourth day someone stumbled over a moss-covered log, beside it, in a pool of blood lay Nahkeeta’s body. Some wild animal had killed her. Grief filled the hearts of Nahkeeta’s people as



they buried her body in a beautiful valley in the forest. For days, mournful chants and the sad wailing of women filled the air. Now, The Changer, xáyə̀s, was witnessing this sad event. His heart was touched by the emotion shown by the people.

One morning when the people arose, they were surprised to see a beautiful little lake, its blue-green waters surrounded by white-barked alders. The lake, c'áy'əl, covered the place where Nahkeeta was buried. The Klallam called the little lake, c'áy'əl, “Nahkeeta.” They say that every autumn the birds hover over the lake, c'áy'əl, and call for her “Nahkeeta, Nahkeeta”. The only answer was a ripple over the water. Today the lake, c'áy'əl, is known as Lake Sutherland, because the first explorer to discover it was John Sutherland. Nahkeeta has been forgotten, except by a few old grandmothers of her tribe.



Nahkeeta word search

Girl – _____ Salmon – _____

Changer – _____ Lake – _____

Food – _____ Klallam – _____

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Klallam Language & Culture- Webinar

Learn Klallam Language through Technology

Daily 15 minute Webinars online at 1pm

The Klallam language program hosts daily webinars. To track participant's progress we ask everyone complete survey and Webinar Assessment #1 online before starting webinars. Link can be found on:

www.facebook.com/KlallamLanguageDepartment/

It is OK if you get a score of zero. We need honest scores to accurately track people's improvement before and after participating.

After the Webinar Assessment #1 is complete, begin watching stored webinars on www.youtube.com/user/KlallamLanguage. After completing 4 webinars, please take the Webinar Post-Assessment #1. Each assessment covers 4 webinars. For example Webinar Assessment #1 covers Webinars 1-4, Assessment #2 covers Webinars 5-8, Assessment #3 covers webinars 9-12, and so on.

Live webinars will be held every day at 1pm for 15 minutes.

Login live at www.zoom.us/join. Type: **3901739020**

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Use the App

The Klallam language app is now available on the google play store. You can click to hear many words, phrases. There are links to videos and social media sites. Please send your feedback to Ashley.Pitchford@elwha.org



Klallam Language

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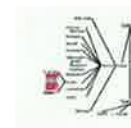
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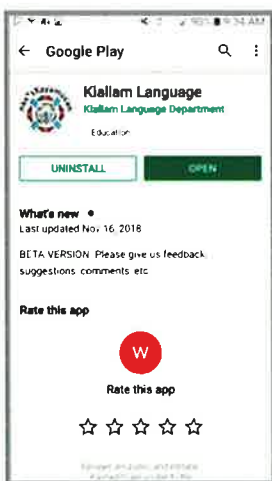
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Klallam Language & Culture– Wool-Knitting Class

Wool Knitting Class

- Who:** Lower Elwha Tribal and Community Members
- What:** Learn how to knit a wool headband
- Instructor:** Maurice Charles
- Where:** Tribal center dining hall
- When:** Twice a day, every Wednesday for 4 weeks
May 29-June 19, 2019 (5/29, 6/5, 6/12, 6/19)
12pm-2pm and 4pm-6pm

Limited Space. Sign-Up Sheet in Tribal Library

No Transportation or food provided. Students under 13 need adult helper





Klallam Language & Culture– Canoe Pulling & Cedar Bark Weaving

Klallam Language Immersion Culture Class

☆ June 2019 – Canoe Pulling ☆

Every Sunday at noon and Thursday at 3pm

Meeting at the old boat launch in the PA Marina.

Rides to and from reservation available.

☆ July 2019 – Cedar Bark Weaving ☆

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 Class 330-530	2 Class 330-530 Drum Group	3 Class 330-530	4 HOLIDAY	5 HOLIDAY	6
7	8 Class 330-530	9 Class 330-530 Drum Group	10 Class 330-530	11 Class 330-530	12 Class 330-530	13 Canoes arrive in Pillar Point
14 Canoes arrive in Elwha	15	16 Canoes arrive in Jamestown	17 Canoes arrive in Port Townsend	18 Canoes arrive in Port Gamble	19 Canoes arrive in Suquamish	20
21 Canoes arrive in Tulalip	22 Canoes arrive in Swinomish	23 Canoes arrive in Samish	24 Canoes arrive in Lummi	25	26	27
28	29	30				

EARN HIGH SCHOOL CREDITS & TANF/GA HOURS

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Lower Elwha Food & Fuel

Hello to everyone from the Lower Elwha Food and Fuel!

What an amazing 2019 so far! Our C-store is on fire right now, because of the amazing support of our community and tribe. There has been so many moves on every front from our strong leadership to our hard working employees who put in every effort to give this store there all with a smile and an attitude that can help you through the day. Here's what has happened so far and what's coming in our bright future!

How is the gas station doing? The gas prices are low and the rate of hot dogs out the door are high. Who doesn't want a hot dog? More importantly, who doesn't want to team up with the best gas station in town? We already teamed up with the Port Angeles Rams, ESP boat races and more- but now we're bringing the Port Angeles Lefties and Granny's Cafe into our summer time team! Partnership deals will be popping up more and more to give you guys the best possible deal that we can. Just like the Free Small Granny Cone cards we're giving away right now at the station! We love working with fellow businesses in town to make us a stronger and more engaged community.

The Cedar Box is not anymore of a stranger to high traffic. Selling the best prices on tobacco and coffee in one stand is no longer a fantasy for us. We've kept our steady stream of tobacco fans and simultaneously created a strong fan base for coffee as well! High quality ingredients and well trained baristas put our quality of coffee up next to the best shops in town. Get your stamp card ready, because we have a ton of great deals and new drinks popping up this summer season!

Have you had an Elwha Burger yet? The newest and freshest addition to our parking lot is the new Lower Elwha Food Truck! It's hard to not already know about when you can smell the delicious food all the way down 101. Our menu has been updating week to week with new food to try out and new experiences to be had. With friendly staff, free fries and drink, and the convenience of good food at your favorite gas station, it's easy to see why we're blowing up! Right now we are working on healthier options and other vegan substitutes to satisfy all of our great customers. Stop by today and feel free to ask us how we can make your lunch time perfect!

We've already done plenty of things worth talking about with more in store. This summer we have 2 show and shines coming up for ESP boat races and most importantly Customer Appreciation day! What is customer appreciation day? It's gonna be a giant event with free food, free games, and free music! Just something to remind you guys how awesome you are! So much more to come that we don't even have space to talk about in this one letter. Go ahead and check us out on Facebook for all of the things coming up along with giveaways and more deals exclusive online. Also, check out the Cedar Box on Instagram. Hope to see you all soon!

Thank you,

From your gas station.

Preserving Family Archives

We have been receiving historical documents, family trees & photos. The staff at the Carnegie Museum is here to help you preserve your family's history.

Please bring us documents and photos and we're happy to create a digital copy for you.

Museum Host: Jalen Sampson

360.452.8471 ext. 2904

Elwha Klallam Museum at the Carnegie

Stop by the EKMC to check out Jalen's Klallam word of the day, browse exhibits on dam removal, contemporary art, and our interactive kids area.

Tuesday-Friday: 1:00pm-4:00pm



Elwha River Casino



Promotions and Events:

Dad's Day Free Play:

The first 50 Elwha Reward member gentlemen qualify to receive \$5 free play on Sunday, June 16th @ 10am while supplies last.

Wednesday Senior Day:

Elwha Reward members 55+ qualify for 30% off in the River's Edge Grill, Hot Seats (11am-4pm) and double points from 10am-8pm.

River's Edge Grill

Sundays in April

4pm-7pm

Steak, baked potato and veggies \$6.99

June

The Elwha River Casino hosted our annual Easter Egg Hunt on Friday, April 19th with over 100 tribal members in attendance. The kids ages 0-14 hunted over 2,500 candy filled eggs in less than two minutes! Participants also enjoyed Food, Fun, and prizes. A special "Thank You" to all that helped for this amazing event!

HAPPY Easter



Submitted by Randy Gonzales



Natural Resources— Climate Change

How will climate change effect your treaty rights?



Taken from NWIFC publication *Climate Change and our Natural Resources*

The impacts of climate change to our natural resources create a challenge for maintaining our treaty rights. When the tribes in what is now known as western Washington ceded vast tracts of our lands in treaties with the United States government in the 1850s, we reserved certain rights to protect our way of life. The treaties specifically and purposefully protected our ability to continue to gather, hunt, and fish on the reservations and outside the reservations—the areas referred to as “usual and accustomed places” for aquatic animal life and “open and unclaimed lands” for hunting and gathering. The rights secured by the treaties are the supreme law of the land, as established by Article VI Section 2 of the U.S. Constitution, and have been consistently upheld by federal courts. These rights cannot be legally curtailed by blocking access nor by undermining the viability of species through habitat destruction. The treaties also do not have any species limitations. We retained the right to harvest any species whether or not they were harvested historically.

Yet another challenge comes for tribes as climate change directly effects natural resources.

***Declining runs of salmon and steelhead** due to changes in streamflow, stream temperature, levels of dissolved oxygen, amount of sediment in streams, susceptibility to disease, ocean temperatures, ocean chemistry, timing of prey availability, prey type, and competition from warm-water species.

***Migration of marine fish away from historical fishing grounds** as they seek out cooler ocean temperatures.

***Replacement of traditional fish runs with invasive species** and new species that have migrated from the south.

***Declining populations of shellfish (both mollusks and crustaceans)** due to changing ocean chemistry.

***Closing of shellfish harvest areas** due to harmful algal blooms.

***Loss of traditional shellfish harvesting areas,** forage fish spawning grounds, and important cultural sites to sea level rise or increased coastal erosion.



Natural Resources– Climate Change

***Loss of water supplies** for drinking and other needs due to saltwater intrusion from sea level rise, or changes to precipitation, streamflow, and/or groundwater availability.

***Declining populations of wildlife and birds due to habitat changes,** loss of food sources, disease, and competition with invasive species.

***Migration of wild game and birds out of traditional hunting grounds** as they move further north or to higher elevations.

***Decreased plant productivity and shifts in species ranges** due to heat stress, drought, invasive species encroachment, or increasing pests.

***Loss of traditional hunting grounds, plant gathering areas, and sacred sites** due to wildfire, landslides, or invasive species.

***Loss of access routes to important cultural sites** due to flooding, bridge damage, permanent road closures, or landslides.

***Changes in timing of key life stages in a variety of species,** such as the migration of salmon, fruiting of berries, or optimal time to harvest cedar bark.

***Negative health outcomes from poor air quality,** heat stress, spread of diseases, loss of nutrition from traditional foods, and loss of opportunities to engage in traditional and cultural activities.

LEKT is launching climate change planning. Your input on climate change preparedness for the Lower Elwha Klallam Tribe is extremely valuable. We want to hear from you and what you think is valuable.

Take the Climate Change survey and get \$15 of tokens to spend at the Farmers Market.

Lower Elwha Tribe is launching our climate change planning. We are having a vulnerability assessment done specifically for Lower Elwha Tribe. This will help us to identify what risks are specific to the tribe. Please take this opportunity to help define the future of climate change planning. We will be administering a survey **EVERY WEDNESDAY** during June from 12pm-1pm in the tribal center outside of the dining hall and the elder's lounge as an opportunity for community and tribal members to give their input for the future. Everyone who completes the survey will receive \$15.00 in tokens to spend at the Port Angeles farmers market. The market has fresh veggies, local homegrown meat, fresh bread, local honey and much more. The market is every Saturday in summer from 10 am-2pm. on the corner of front and Lincoln street. Have you seen the amazing strong people mural at the market? This is your opportunity to make your voice count. Help protect the future of your tribe for seven generations to come.

If you have any questions please contact:

Kim Williams in Natural resources, 360-457-4012 X7499

Any questions about the survey please contact Allyce Miller in Natural resources at 360-457-4012 x 7489



Elder's Program

Important Notice:

There will be no Jamestown Elders Luncheon at Seven Cedars this June.

The Jamestown Luncheon will be at the Vern Burton on June 28th, 2019 Door open at 10am

Pick-ups starting at 9am for all elders 55 and up.

Wednesdays are designated Elder Shopping day 9-12

Please contact your Elder Coordinator for details if interested

Leona McKinnon 360-406-1572

Coffee Social June 13th, 2019

At the Elders Lounge at 9-12

Come share stories with each other, laugh, cry, support one another "together we can".

Elder Meeting June 20th, 2019

At the Tribal Center Dining Hall at 5pm
Dinner will be served (Aloha Pineapple Chicken Dinner)

Safeway and Walmart Elder Cards

Ready for pick up Friday June 14th, 2019

Social Services 9-12

The Gathering Center 1-3

Special Arrangements Call Your Elder Coordinator

Leona McKinnon 360-406-1572

Still looking for people to donate items to raffle and/or participate in the bake sales regularly

so we can start creating/bringing in a revenue for our elders to take trips and purchase of jackets

Please drop off donations to Leona McKinnon your Elder Coordinator at Social Services.

Special thanks to Darrell Charles Jr, Lila Bowechop, and Verna Sampson for donating to our Elders Program for raffles and crafts sale.



2019 Tribal Elections– General & Chairperson Results

2019 General Election Results

The results for the May 4, 2019 Lower Elwha Klallam Tribal General Election were as follows:

281 total valid ballots were cast, of which **184** were in-house poll ballots, **66** ballots were mailed in, and **31** ballots dropped off. **3** ballots were invalidated for not being in conformance with the election rules. Vote totals for each candidate were as follows:

Frances “Gator” Charles **115**

Ed Johnson **79**

Lola Moses **75**

Jessica Elofson **12**

Frances “Gator” Charles was the candidate with the highest number of votes and has accordingly been elected to a three-year term on the Business Committee.

2019 Chairperson Election Results

The results for the May 25, 2019 Lower Elwha Klallam Tribal General Election were as follows:

163 total valid ballots were cast, **100** of which were in-house poll ballots, **34** ballots were mailed in, and **29** ballots dropped off. **1** ballot was invalidated for not being in conformance with the election rules. Vote totals for each candidate were as follows:

Anthony Charles **25**

Frances “Gator” Charles **90**

George Charles **3**

Russell “Razz” Hepfer **28**

Steve “Joaquin” Robideau **17**

Frances “Gator” Charles was the candidate with the highest number of votes and has accordingly been elected to a one-year term as the Tribal Chairwoman.

*Thank you to all LEKT members who
cast their votes in the 2019 Elections!*



Lower Elwha Head Start & Early Head

360)- 452-2587 1 INFORMATION 2 TRANSPORTATION (Francesse)
3 HEALTH MANAGER (Deanna)
4 FAMILY COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP MGR/ENROLLMENT (Michelle)
6 EDUCATION MANAGER (Sarah Lovejoy)
8 PRENATAL EDUCATOR (Vacant) 9 DIRECTOR (Debbie)

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Time for spring salmon

JUNE 2019

Lower Elwha Head Start & Early Head Start Newsletter

STAFF SPOTLIGHT: JENNIFFER MILJOUR

LEAD TEACHER/OTTERS CLASS

"Jennifer has grown so much in both confidence and knowledge since she has started here over two years ago. I really appreciate having her in the classroom and working with me on a daily basis" says Supervising Teacher Darla Owens

How long have you been working at Lower Elwha Head Start? *2.5 years*

If you could go anywhere in the world, where would you go? *Australia*

Who is your inspiration? *My aunt Lisa McCoy because she's a teacher as well and has overcome so much in her life with such optimism*

Favorite song and artist: *Tim McGraw's "BBQ Stain", & most songs by the band, Journey*

Favorite colors: *Pink and blue*

What is the most important thing you have learned at LEHS? *Patience*

Advice to your students as they grow up: *"Treat others as you want to be treated"*



JOBS @ LEHS

- ◆ Early Head Start Supervising Lead Teacher
- ◆ Early Head Start Teacher's Aide
- ◆ Head Start Shadow Teacher
- ◆ Head Start Floating Teacher's Aide
- ◆ Substitute Kitchen's Aide
- ◆ Substitute Teacher's Aide
- ◆ Early Head Start Prenatal Educator

JUNE 2019

3 & 4 Parent teacher conference
 7/Friday Regalia picture day
 28/Friday LEHS/EHS Graduation

JUNE 1, 2019
LEHS
applications
due



Lower Elwha Head Start & Early Head

CHIPMUNKS: Chipmunks have currently been enjoying the new climbers in their classroom, helping bring physical activity indoors every day. We have also been spending lots of time exploring outside on the playground and going on nature walks to observe cows and chickens. Please remember to send your child in play clothes or with an extra set of clothing. We plan on enjoying sensory play (sand, mud, water, paint) over the next few months and get dirty while out on the playground. Thank you!

OTTERS: The Otters have been spending a lot of time outdoors lately. We have been going into the larger playground for some transition time with some of the Head Start classes. So please continue to dress the children accordingly for the weather. If you are sending your children in good clothing or pretty shoes, please send some extra play clothes to change them into. In June, we will be changing out theme to a beach theme. If the weather is good, we will be doing a lot of water play outdoors. Make sure that you have your child's Head Start application in.



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Eagles class :

Student making a drum, class going for a walk and Eagles listening to Teacher Mary

JUNE 1, 2019

LEHS applications due

The Eagles have been learning about spring transformations. We watched our caterpillars turn into butterflies & experienced setting them free! They can still be seen flying around the school and the kids can recognize our painted lady butterflies from others! Our class has also enjoyed nature walks and everyone has made their own drum!

Ravens' Rave (sk' w'tú?)

Hello Ravens Families: We have finished up with our 'Farm Unit' and will be transitioning to the topic of 'Ocean Life' and things that live in the ocean, who might work in or on the ocean, and how we can take care of our oceans. It is going to be busy month and a half as we are fast approaching graduation at the end of June. We will be doing our last round of teacher conferences the first two Mondays in June so I will be calling to set those up with you. If you have not yet enrolled your child in kindergarten, I will have some packets available at our conferences or sooner if needed. Thank you for all you do for your children, it is absolutely noticed and appreciated.

The Ravens' Teachers, Sarah, Crystal and Janet



Lower Elwha Family Advocacy Program

3080 Lower Elwha Rd. Port Angeles, WA 98363

Office: 360-565-7257 ext. 7453; Cellular Hotline 1: 360-460-1745; Hotline 2: 360-775-9346

Beatriz Arakawa, Program Manager and Victim Advocate; E-mail: beatriz.arakawa@elwha.org

Angelina Sosa, Elder/Youth Mentoring Healthy Relationship Coordinator and Prevention/Awareness Specialist; 360-565-7257 ext. 7452; E-mail: Angelina.Sosa@elwha.org

Mission: Victim's Safety and Autonomy through Advocacy and Community Awareness.

Assistance to Victims of Domestic Violence, Sexual Assault, Dating Violence, Stalking, and Provide Prevention/Awareness.

Announcement:

SAVE the DATE, Wednesday, July 10th, 2019, “**Cybercrime and Abuse**” at Elwha Heritage Center.

The **LGBTQ+** that is scheduled on Tuesdays from 10:00 am to Noon at Heritage Center will be relocating to undisclosed location starting the first Wednesdays of July 3rd with a new day and time from 5:30 to 7:00 pm. If you are or know someone who is interested to join the group, contact Beatriz.

Need a support system? the **Women's Open Support Gathering** is now scheduled Wednesdays from 11:00 am to 12:30 pm at Social Services building. It's open to all women.

If you have not done a survey from me (Beatriz), please contact me. I am still distributing and collecting surveys. Any adults, elders or high school students that complete the survey will receive a \$25.00 gift card as appreciation for completing the survey. This survey is a continuation of what was conducted on 2017. It is confidential! Participants will only get to complete the survey and receive a gift card once.

The LEFA staff are extending our sincere THANK YOU to Honorable *Frances Charles* for the opening ceremony at our **Mending the Rainbow on-site training in May 7th and 8th at Elwha Heritage Center**. Thank you to all that attended and involved on the success of this training. Our deepest appreciation to *Kurt Begaye*, Director of Training & Technical Assistance of Southwest Indigenous Women's Coalition for conducting a meaningful and insightful two days of training that focused on domestic violence/abuse, historical trauma, resources for LGBTQ2S = Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer, and Two spirits.

Here is some information from our on-site training:

Gender fluid – fluctuating between genders; not fixed

Non-binary – an umbrella term for not identifying with your assigned gender.

Transgender – a person whose gender identity and assigned sex at birth do not correspond. Also used as an umbrella term to include gender identities outside of male and female. Abbreviated as trans or trans*.

Agender – identifying as being without a gender, but may present as masculine, feminine, or androgynous.

Cisgender – identifying partially with a gender.

Genderqueer – a person whose gender identify falls outside the traditional gender binary (also gender variant, gender expansive).

What is the proper pronouns to use when referring to LGBTQ+? Here is a suggested pronounce: Ze, hir, hers, they, their, theirs, instead of using, he, him, his, she her, hers. Better yet, ask or call by name. Kurt Begaye concluded by saying, “Remember, being LGBTQ2S is Not a choice. Stay open-minded and respectful”.



From: Instagram Skyoverthebridge

Helplines: You are not Alone!

National Domestic Violence Hotline: 1-800-799-7233

StrongHearts Native Helpline: 1-844-7NATIVE (1-844-762-8483)

Lower Elwha Family Advocacy Hotlines: 1: 360-460-1745; 360-775-9346

Congratulation to all Graduates and All Students!

Enjoy your Summer Vacation!!

Wishing you a Happy Father's Day!!!

Written and Submitted by: Beatriz Arakawa, Program Manager and Victim Advocate



Special Announcement

LEKT TO WELCOME NEW CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER (COO)



It is my pleasure to announcement that the hunt for a new Chief Operating Officer (COO) is over. In review, we had over a dozen applicants for the position. Three of those applicants were Tribal and were the only three interviewed. While each brought a unique set of strengths, we could only select one candidate for the position.

Ms. Tia Skerbeck will join us on the 9th of July. Tia is currently living in Portland, working for the Oregon Health Authority in the Drinking Water Program. She is also an Officer in the U.S. Army Reserves, serving as Captain with 18 years' experience. Her education consists of a Bachelor of Science in Community Health (2009), a Bachelor of Arts in Communication from Western Washington University (2009), and a Master's in Public Health from the University of Washington (2013). Tia has a unique set of skills and experience that will benefit the Tribe and the COO position.

Tia grew up at Elwha and started her career in public health as a Community Health Representative with Social Services. Her family is here and she is excited about returning with her own family this summer. Please join me in a warm Elwha welcome to Tia Skerbeck as your new COO.

~ *Bill White, CEO*

Getting to know Tia

Tia's hobbies include: camping, fitness, snowboarding, paddle boarding, spending time with family and exploring the wonders of the world with her toddler. Her family consists of her husband Mel, daughter Ellie, and two dogs Bender and Jasper. Her 2nd child is due in October. Tia's mom is Verna Sampson, sister is Vanessa Castle, and brother is Shane Skerbeck.

Tia grew up at Upper Elwha and moved to Lower Elwha during high school. She graduated from Port Angeles High School. Tia enlisted in the Army Reserves in 2001, deployed to Iraq in 2005-2006, became a commissioned officer in 2012 and currently serves as a Captain (Environmental Science Officer) in the reserves in Civil Affairs unit.

Services Offered

Submitted by Roberta Charles:

(1) I continue to see clients in my home at 407 Charles Road. I see folks with various issues such as depression, anxiety, PTSD, relationship problems, domestic violence, trauma, both historical or current, crisis, and grief counseling. I can take insurance from the following: Molina/Apple/Medicaid, Regence, HCA, Premara, and Veterans Choice and others if I know ahead of time. If you want me to do a home visit or an in my home visit please call me at 360/460/5963 and I will get you in as soon as possible. Roberta L. Charles MED, CAS, mLMH

(2) Interfaith Devotions will be held on June 6 and 20th at 407 Charles Road. It starts at 7:00PM until 8:30 PM. Snacks and fellowship follow devotions. Devotions can be music, prayers, readings whatever way you want to glorify our Creator and communicate with Him in Unity. With Unity is our community we can accomplish anything. Let us come together and celebrate the many ways we can worship together. Call me at 360-460-5963 for more information. See you then!



Walking On....



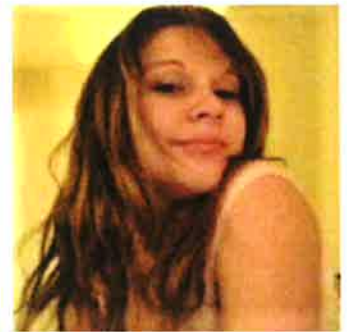
Crystal Leann Grall was born on May 5th, 1985 in Wenatchee, Washington to Teresa Dailey. She left this world on May 12th, 2019 at the young age of 33.

Crystal comes from both the Sampson and Bolstrom Families. Her mother is Teresa Dailey. Teresa's mother was Virginia Sampson. Virginia was the daughter of Ernest Sampson, Jr. and Christine

Bolstrom.

Crystal spent her early childhood in Wenatchee, and moved home to Lower Elwha as a young teen. She quickly connected with many people and built countless important friendships.

Growing up Crystal was always beautiful and full of energy. She loved kites and bubbles, which both matched her outgoing personality and kind spirit. She was an amazing and kind soul who gave endlessly to those she cared about. Crystal was a good cook and she loved fried chicken!



Crystal is loved and survived by her mother Teresa Dailey her children Alyssa Weed, Jeremy Charles and Hailey Charles, her brother David Dronen, sister Tara Royston, grandma Cathy Bonstel, aunt Lori Newell and Lujana Young, uncles Jeremy Grall and Rick Bennett. Great Uncle Ernest Sampson and Great-Aunts: Dorothy, Verna and Ernestine Sampson. Crystal had numerous aunts, great uncles, cousins, friends and family who all cared about and loved her.

Waiting for Crystal on the other side are her grandparents Virginia Sampson and Wilburn Grall.





Walking On....

Niki Judy Elofson-Gilbertson (Lower Elwha Klallam), was born January 21, 1951, to Juliette Ace Elofson. Niki left for her happy fishing grounds on May 13, 2019.

Niki was the 4th of 8 children (Sharon, Diane, Pattie, Robert, Carla, Mark, Mel and later we found Ron), who grew up on Joe Sampson family homestead, on the Elwha River, near our grandparents, Robert and Louisa Mike-Sampson.

Niki was a beautiful child full of energy and fun. Our parents and grandparents took in lots of relatives who helped build the homestead, barns, gardens, and orchards that we used to feed our full house. No wonder Niki became that safe haven for many of us over the years. She had such a wonderful childhood on the homestead. In 1959, Mom's health problems took her from us at age 33. Niki spent 12 years in foster care, but we were so lucky to have Gramma Louisa, already in her late 70's, who kept us all together every month. Gramma and Sharon's strength kept us solid. Jerry and Vera Charles, Grampa Jim and Marie Charles took some of the siblings in and also helped to keep us close.



Gramma Louisa encouraged all of us kids to go to college and get an education, be good workers and take care of family. We did it because we thought we had to.

Niki graduated with a Bachelors of Arts degree from Western Washington University. She worked at Employment Security for a few years, then managed a General Assistance program for all four local tribes for many years.

But Niki's best job was her family and fishing. Niki, Carla and Pattie got into fishing rights after the 1974 Boldt Decision, joining Rita and several other strong fisherwomen, like Karen Jo, Verna, and Sharon. Niki and Carla fished the Elwha and Dungeness area mostly. One of her favorite spots was Sisson's hole, on the Elwha and Dungeness Bay in the fall. This past year Niki was gearing up to get back into the Elwha, just like all of the old river fishers.

Niki married Erv Gilbertson 38 years ago. It was love at first sight. Erv had a successful career road building and building homesites. They have had a full and wonderful life with both the Elofson and Gilbertson clans. Erv's parents, Ken and Harriette, were wonderful to Niki. Niki really enjoyed all Erv's siblings, Gunner, Carol, Diane, Patsy, Lisa, Susan, John, Mike and their wives and kids. Niki was saddened when Harriette left us. Erv was devoted to Niki through all of her health problems. He keeps busy with his fish smoking and is always helping out family.

Perhaps the most cherished moments of Niki's life was having her sons, Robbie and Kenny. From the moment they were born, she showered them with unconditional love. Robbie worked hard at school, sports, and life. Robbie and Gina met young and have two amazing sons, Trenton, 15, and Kaden, 11. Niki attended all their family, school and sports events. She loved after school fun with the boys. Being the best grandma became her #1 goal in life. These grandsons brought so much joy to Niki (and Erv). She was beaming when Trenton made varsity baseball and brought her baby, Kaden, that third inning hot dog to energize his skills on the field. Robbie wisely finished up x-ray schooling young, helping, Gina get through hygienist school and building their family life. Niki was so proud of Coach Robbie. Go Eagles!

No one believed in Kenny more than Niki. And boy was she right. It's been a dream come true for Niki to see him becoming a successful fisherman. And he's already missing those 5 AM "stay safe" messages from Niki everyday.

#1 Nikki arrived six years ago. She had brought new energy to Grandma Niki. Not to mention she could be Grandma Niki's twin. Losing LaRae, Nikki's mom, was tough, and Niki made sure to bridge the love between her Quileute and Elwha family. Niki has had lots of after school play dates with lots of our kiddos, Nikki, Teya, Tyler, Reighlyn, Eli, Zoey and many more. These past few years, Kenny met Brittney. Brit and her kids, Eli, Asher, and Aries have brought much joy to Niki and Erv.

Niki was there for all of our kids, with that unconditional love. . .Angie, Jessica, Gail Nicole, Jason, Chad, Stevie, Jeremy, Joe, Kalika, Robbie, Kenny, Travis, Ryan, Julie, Samii, Sonja and Micah, Kerrie and Kathryn and all of their kids.

Her unconditional love of family was a mission she was on for the past few years. She was first to speak up on our Homestead page for a family game night or a barbeque. When Niki was on a mission, she kept after it. This remarkable woman has inspired our families to be better people; to work hard and to love each other. What a wonderful legacy!



Walking On....

Clayton Lloyd Charles

December 12th, 1983 Port Angeles, WA

May 12th, 2019 Williams, CA

Clayton's Life was Celebrated on June 1, 2019 10:00am
at the Lower Elwha Gym.

Officiating the Celebration was Nick Denunzio.
Dinner in the dining hall followed Clayton's Celebration.

Clayton is survived by:

Son: Kaiden Charles

Daughters: Laila Charles & Tidjra Tolliver

Mother & Step-Father: Deborah & Alan Charles

Father: Guy Charles

Sisters: Alexis Charles, Lola & Lovey Bright

Brothers: Christopher Charles & Marcel Bright

Aunties: Vick Denunzio, Sue Denunzio, Tamara Bright, Tina Bright-Charles, &
Great-Aunt Marilyn Williams

Uncles: Nick Denunzio Jr., Ronald O. Bright, Rodney C. Bright, Sam Bright, &
Gerald Charles JR.

Many Nieces, Nephews, Friends & Family.

Clayton was Preceded by:

Grandmother: Lucille Williams

Grandfather: Roscoe Bright

Grandfather: Floyd Charles

Aunties: Sandra Denunzio, Barbara Jean Bright

Cousin: Francis Orville Charles

Nephew: Anthony Bright

Honorary Pallbearers

Toppy Robideau, Josh Smith, Brad Holloway, Wambli Robideau, Greg McCabe, Ky Chemicum, Dustin Faris, Greg Faris, Lola Bright, Anthony Hunter Savington, Chris Charles, Jesse Vail, Kyle Charles, Marcel Bright, James Charles, Tillman Goldsbury, Russell Charles

Rest In Paradise



Justice Department- Local Crime, April 2019 Stats

Service Logs for L & O	Total
911 Hang-Up	3
Abandoned Vehicle	0
Alarm/Alarm Check	3
Animal Calls	1
Warrant Attempts	12
Assault	0
Auto Theft	0
Bar Check	0
Boating Activity	2
Burglary	0
Business Check	172
Burn Complaint	0
CA&N/Elder Abuse	0
Child Endangerment	0
Citizen Assist	4
Citizen Contact	10
Civil	5
Community Oriented Policing	42
Court Paperwork/Service	24
CPR	0
CPS	1
Courtesy Transport	1
Custodial Interference	3
Death/Unattended Death	0
Disturbance	2
Drug Violation	1
Drunkenness	0
DUI	0
DV	1
Eluding	0
Embezzlement	0
Erratic Vehicle	0
Exclusion	0
Explosion	0
Fire	0
Firework Violation	0
Fishing/Forestry Violation	0
Follow-Up	7
Forgery	0
Found/Recovered/Lost property	0
Fraud	1
Frequent Patrol Request	1
Impound	0
Junk Vehicle	2
Liquor Violation/MIP	0
Littering	0
Malicious Mischief	1
Mental/ITA	1

Medical Aid	0
Misc. Info/False Reporting	1
New Call	0
Noise Complaint	1
Officer Safety	0
Other Agency Assist	18
Overdue Person	0
Parking complaint	0
Phone Complaint	0
Placing a person in fear	0
Poss. of Stolen Property	0
Prisoner Transport	4
Prowler/Vehicle Prowler	1
Rape	0
Reckless Endangerment	0
Rendering Criminal Assistance	0
Report of open door/window	0
Repossession	0
Resisting/Obstructing/Delay	0
Robbery	0
Runaway	0
Sex Offense/Monitor	1
Search and Rescue	0
Suicide/Suicidal	2
Suspicious Person/Vehicle	5
Theft	0
Threats	1
Traffic Control/Emphasis/Hazard	2
Traffic Stops	29
Trespass	1
Unattended Hit and Run	0
Vandalism	0
Violation of Court Order	0
Vehicle Accidents	3
Vehicle Lockouts	2
Weapons Discharge/Violation	0
Welfare Check	6
Warrants- Tribal	0
Warrants-Non Tribal	1
Wires Down	0
Total	376

Arrests for April

Jonathan Welker, Drug Violation





Social Services Food Bank



Social Services food bank is growing every week. We had a record breaking amount of families that we helped during the month of May. The donations have expanded and the community was able to take advantage of some fresh fruit and veggies.

The food bank hours are Monday-Friday 8-4:30. Tuesday mornings we are gone picking up our order from 9:30-11:30 am.

If anyone has any paper or plastic bags to donate we could sure use them. Thanks!!!!

Lower Elwha Health Department Swimming Passes

Submitted by Jody Potter, LEHD



Currently, all who want to go to the Sequim YMCA pool can do so, with a Tribal ID FREE for ONE (1) visit. The LEKT Health Department is continuing to work with the Sequim YMCA to be able to offer the best services available to our Tribal members and families.



Lower Elwha Health Department NextGen Implementation

New Electronic Health Record System, "NextGen"

Starting June 3rd 2019 we will be implementing a new health record system to better meet your health care needs.

Several years ago, it was determined that the Lower Elwha Health Department would benefit from upgrading to a new Electronic Health Record (E.H.R.) system, which would result in increased efficacy, services and overall patient satisfaction.

With the aid of Federal and State grants, the Lower Elwha Health Department was able to proceed with a selection process. After an intensive evaluation process over the past year, several leading systems were identified. Demos, visits to other Tribal clinics, and surveys were conducted and NextGen was selected as the best option.

Transition to the new system started on June 3rd and will continue over the next few months.

With this new implementation we will be lengthening medical visits to allow you more time with your provider; your patience is greatly appreciated.

We may ask you to verify and enter your information and fill out a few forms during the implementation process to ensure you receive the best care possible. We apologize for any inconveniences and request that you bring your photo ID/Tribal ID, insurance cards and medications to your appointments.

We truly look forward to better meeting your health care needs through this new system upgrade.

Thank you for your assistance, support, feedback, and patience at this time.

Submitted by Matthew Whitacre, LEHD



Recreation

GYM TIME

Gym ~ June 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 Gym Hours 10am-630pm Various Gym Activities <i>Scheduled Activities Will Be Posted</i>
2	3 630-730am AM BootCamp 1030-1130am Elders Fitness 1145-1pm Lunch Time Activity 230-430pm ASP Activity 7-9pm Basketball League	4 11-2pm Personal Training 215-430pm ASP Activity 430-530pm Balance/ Footwork 530-7pm Pitching	5 630-730am AM BootCamp 1030-1130am Elders Fitness 1145-1pm Lunch Time Activity 230-430pm ASP Activity 7-9pm Basketball League	6 11-2pm Personal Training 215-430pm ASP Activity 430-530pm Balance/Footwork 530-7pm Pitching 7-9pm Soccer	7 630-730am AM BootCamp 1030-1130am Elders Fitness 1145-1pm Lunch Time Activity 230-430pm ASP Activity 5-9pm Youth Night	8 Gym Hours 10am-630pm Various Gym Activities <i>Scheduled Activities Will Be Posted</i>
9	10 630-730am AM BootCamp 1030-1130am Elders Fitness 1145-1pm Lunch Time Activity 230-430pm ASP Activity 7-9pm Basketball League	11 11-2pm Personal Training 215-430pm ASP Activity 430-530pm Balance/ Footwork 530-7pm Pitching	12 630-730am AM BootCamp 1030-1130am Elders Fitness 1145-1pm Lunch Time Activity 230-430pm ASP Activity 7-9pm Basketball League	13 11-2pm Personal Training 215-430pm ASP Activity 430-530pm Balance/Footwork 530-7pm Pitching 7-9pm Soccer	14 630-730am AM BootCamp 1030-1130am Elders Fitness 1145-1pm Lunch Time Activity 230-430pm ASP Activity	15 Gym Hours 10am-630pm Various Gym Activities <i>Scheduled Activi- ties Will Be Posted</i>
16	17 630-730am NO Class 1030-1130am NO Class 1145-1pm Lunch Time Activity 230-430pm ASP Activity 7-9pm Basketball League	18 11-2pm Personal Training 215-430pm ASP Activity 430-530pm Balance/ Footwork 530-7pm Pitching	19 630-730am NO Class 1030-1130am NO Class 1145-1pm Lunch Time Activity 230-430pm ASP Activity 7-9pm Basketball League	20 11-2pm Personal Training 215-430pm ASP Activity 430-530pm Balance/Footwork 530-7pm Pitching 7-9pm Soccer	21 Last Day Of School End of School Year BBQ Time TBD	22 Gym Hours 10am-630pm Various Gym Activities <i>Scheduled Activi- ties Will Be Posted</i>
23	24 630-730am AM BootCamp 1030-1130am Elders Fitness 1145-1pm Lunch Time Activity 1-6pm Youth Summer Activity 7-9pm Basketball League	25 11-2pm Personal Training 215-315pm Balance/Footwork 315-530pm Youth Summer Activity 530-7pm Pitching 7-830pm Youth Summer Basketball	26 630-730am AM BootCamp 1030-1130am Elders Fitness 1145-1pm Lunch Time Activity 1-6pm Youth Summer Activities 7-9pm Basketball League	27 11-2pm Personal Training 215-430pm Summer Activity 430-530pm Balance/Footwork 530-7pm Pitching 7-9pm Soccer	28 Gym Hours 1230-8pm 230-430pm ASP Activity 5-8pm Wii-U <i>Rides Home</i>	29 Gym Closed
30	Gym Hours Mon-Fri 9am-9pm <i>Submitted by Jason Wheeler, Recreation</i>					



Announcements

LEKT Song & Dance Group

June 2019

Regular Practice
4:30pm

Every Tuesday
in dining hall

Join us before practice for Canoe Journey Gift making at 2:30, dinner at 4:30, followed by singing and dancing

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**Intertribal Klallam Song & Dance Practice will be in Lower Elwha on Friday June 14th, 5:30pm.**

## Notary Public

Miss Jody Potter (Wellness Manager at the Lower Elwha Health Clinic) is a Notary Public who is happy to help those who need documents notarized. Please contact her at (360) 452-6252 to arrange time with her.

This is a free service there is no charge to have your documents notarized by Miss Jody.

Picture ID is REQUIRED

## DID YOU KNOW ???

The LEKT Health Department/Clinic offers Paratransit rides to medical appointments for anyone Medicaid eligible and all Tribal Elders over 55 regardless of Medicaid eligibility. This includes Dental, Mental Health, WIC, Nutrition, Therapy, Hospital, and Counseling. We offer transportation to all surrounding Communities, including Seattle and King County area doctors.

**Transportation is available for medical appointments only.**

To qualify for transportation, **you must be** a:

1. Medicaid recipient, with proof of Medicaid number, **and/OR**
2. An Elwha Tribal Elder (55+) with or without Medicaid

How to schedule your transportation:

1. Call the LEKT Health Department Clinic at 360.452.6252 Ext. 7610 Gail, OR Ext. 7654 Amy to set up your transportation needs.

Please have ready when you call:

Appt. date / Dr. Name / Dr. Address / Pick-up address / Appt. time / Length of appt. / Medicaid #

2. Must have 24-hour reservation, unless an emergency appointment. Please call the same telephone numbers to cancel your transport.



**Join the Jamestown S'Klallam Tribe and the Native Connections Action Group for a very special celebration in Port Townsend Saturday, June 29, 2019**

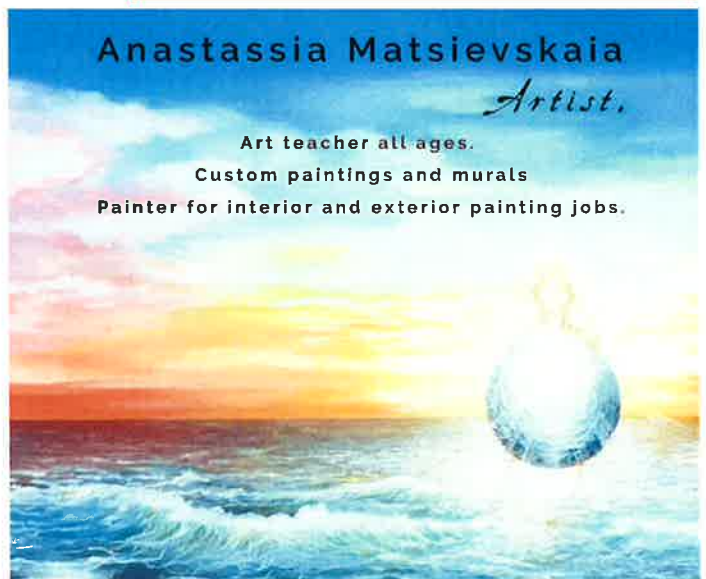
**1 p.m. Grand Opening of the Chetsemoka Trail Memorial Field, 550 Washington Street**  
**2:30 p.m. Dedication of the Welcome Pole Northwest Maritime Center 431 Water Street**

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*You name it, I paint it!!!*



## Employment– Position Spotlight

### LOWER ELWHA KLALLAM TRIBE JOB DESCRIPTION

#### Summer Science Program Coordinator (6-8-week position)

**OVERVIEW:** This position is full-time (6-8 weeks) and will be responsible for taking care of a variety of administrative and program management tasks. You will plan and organize two separate summer science week-long camps based mainly on age. The person in this position must be able to coordinate, organize logistics for community youth and parents as well as for the Summer Science Program.

**WORK LOCATION:** Lower Elwha Klallam Tribe-  
Education Department/Field

**SUPERVISED BY:** Supervisor

**POSITION STATUS:** Full-time, 40 hours per week

**SALARY LEVEL:** Hourly: \$25.00

**WORK SCHEDULE:** Hours will fluctuate  
depending on the needs of  
the program and will last for  
6 -8-weeks.

#### ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS OF JOB:

- Be consistent in the job duties. The position is 6-8-weeks long therefore having a consistent, hard-working professional is necessary.
- Maintain positive working relationships with students as well as other staff and volunteers involved in the Summer Science Program.
- Clearly and positively communicate with youth, parents and other professionals in the community.
- Will help in areas of recruitment of youth in some capacity.
- Be competent with troubleshooting problems.
- Be involved of all current and planned activities taking place in each of the programs offered.
- Communicate with supervisor any problems or concerns that arise.
- Participate in staff meetings and trainings as needed.
- May help with curriculum development of Summer Science Program.
- Maintain accurate timesheet and turn in to supervisor by due dates.
- Ability to write a formal report for all reporting agencies involved in the Summer Science Program.
- Ability to work within very different environments, such as, behind a desk and out in the field providing support with natural science education adventures.
- Other related duties as assigned.

#### KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS AND ABILITIES REQUIRED BY POSITION:

- Natural Science Expertise
- Proficient computer skills that minimally include: Word, Excel, and Internet Explorer
- Report Writing Experience
- Bachelor's Degree

#### DESIRED QUALIFICATIONS:

- First Aid and CPR required prior to working with youth.
- A physical exam with results in letter form that states person is free of communicable diseases (Negative TB test) by employment date
- Microsoft Office
- Communication skills: both verbal and written are required
- No prior convictions of child-related offenses
- Employment contingent on passing the background check that will be conducted prior to employment date
- Must be able to comply with the Lower Elwha Klallam Tribal Workplace policies

#### PHYSICAL REQUIREMENTS:

Moderate lifting, 15-40 pounds, moderate carrying over 10 pounds and light carrying under 10 pounds, and occasional lifting up to 50 pounds.

#### OTHER DUTIES AND REQUIREMENTS:

- Share the responsibility of maintaining a safe, healthy and attractive learning environment
- Work closely with Lower Elwha Klallam Tribe staff in sharing concerns and implementing plans to meet identified needs.
- Pre-Employment drug testing to be administered prior to employment

***As with all positions of the Lower Elwha Klallam Tribe this position is Indian Preference in hiring, in Accordance with P.L. 93-638***

**OPENING DATE:**

**CLOSING DATE:**

**CONTACT:** Human Resources Department  
2851 Lower Elwha Road  
Port Angeles, WA 98363  
Phone: (360) 452-8471

*Submitted by Jessica Egnew, Education Director*



## Birthdays & Father's Day

**Wishing a BIG 10<sup>th</sup> Happy Birthday to Jordan Saluskin! We love you so much!**



from the Blue-Arakawa family

Happy, Happy Birthday  
to Bill Cagey! Have a  
great day.

*Wishing the happiest of birthdays to  
Mike McFadden, we love you!*



Happy Father's Day Zack  
Avery!

Thanks for continuing this journey with me and doing an exemplary job of it even though you are brand new at this. Thank you for keeping me safe and teaching me to be kind-hearted, helpful, and funny just like you. You are my idol and I'm glad we are best friends. I love you dada and you know it!

Love,  
Yenewes Smith-Avery

Happy Father's Day to Leif Ellis,  
YOU are a wonderful Dad and  
Grandpa. We appreciate you for  
doing all those extra little things we  
love, like getting root beer floats  
every day, playing games with us,  
and driving us to every appointment  
and event we each have. You're the  
best and we love you.

Love,  
Loki, Jared,  
Shadow, & Yeni



*Happy 4th Birthday Shadow Naveen Ellis*

*You bring us all more joy, happiness, and laughs  
than you will ever know. Thank you for coming along  
and making our lives brighter and more fulfilling.*

*We love you so much!*







## June Birthdays– Tribal Members

|                                        |                             |                                    |
|----------------------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------------|
| 6/1 Francis, Tashena                   | 6/13 Sampson, Sheldon       | 6/24 Sanchez, Alice                |
| 6/2 Fernandes,<br>Wae-A-ka-wash-ta-win | 6/14 Claussen, Amanda       | 6/25 Bennett, Shawn                |
| 6/3 Charles, Hunter                    | 6/14 Johnson, Kathryn       | 6/25 Boyd Jr., John                |
| 6/3 Potter, Charlene                   | 6/14 Missal, Gloria         | 6/26 Arakawa, Mark                 |
| 6/5 Charles, Garnet                    | 6/14 Sullivan, Rhonda       | 6/26 Bankson, Imagin               |
| 6/5 Rapoza, Rose                       | 6/15 Fiscus, Brylee         | 6/26 Bennett, Randall              |
| 6/6 Albaugh Jr., Richard               | 6/15 Parker, Cassandra      | 6/26 Charles, Alexis               |
| 6/6 Albaugh, Dana                      | 6/15 White, Koltyn          | 6/26 Sampson,<br>Chiefwhitefeather |
| 6/6 Hopie, Mitchell                    | 6/16 Bolstrom, Leandra      | 6/27 Elofson-Cross, Tyler          |
| 6/6 Sawyer-Lucas, Sheena               | 6/16 Raub, Maurice          | 6/27 Flores, Gabriel               |
| 6/7 Muck, Holli                        | 6/17 Charles, Deacon        | 6/27 Gloria IV, Melchor            |
| 6/8 Bennett, Dylan                     | 6/18 Charles, Jaylen        | 6/27 Sawyer-Lucas, Dasan           |
| 6/8 Bowechop, Johanna                  | 6/18 Clark, Dale            | 6/28 Charles, Lancia               |
| 6/9 Charles, Joanne                    | 6/18 Gloria, Mitchell       | 6/28 Koester, Dolores              |
| 6/9 Charles-Jackson,<br>Cheryl         | 6/18 O` Day, Vanessa        | 6/28 Leonato, Emelio               |
| 6/9 Johnson, Garrison                  | 6/19 Bolstrom, David        | 6/28 Mitts, Hannah                 |
| 6/9 Langston, Kai                      | 6/19 Ingersoll, Peggy       | 6/29 Bolstrom Sr., James           |
| 6/10 Arakawa, Lori                     | 6/19 Johnson, Katherine     |                                    |
| 6/10 Watson-Charles, Kiana             | 6/19 Swanberg, Teri         |                                    |
| 6/12 Black Crow,<br>Darkfeather        | 6/21 Charles, Sherri        |                                    |
| 6/12 Bolstrom, Corina                  | 6/21 Vollin, Jennifer       |                                    |
| 6/12 Charles Jr., Kenneth              | 6/22 Elofson, Chad          |                                    |
| 6/12 Saluskin, Jordan                  | 6/22 Inman, JoNathan        |                                    |
| 6/13 Lawrence, Thelma                  | 6/22 Sanchez, William       |                                    |
| 6/13 Romero, Mark                      | 6/23 Henderson, Verna       |                                    |
|                                        | 6/23 Sampson Gomez,<br>Dawn |                                    |
|                                        | 6/23 Svec, Marlei           |                                    |

**June Staff Birthdays—****6/1– Tashena Francis****6/3– Mary Klock****6/5– Dawn Warriner****6/7– Kristin Newton****6/10– Rick Pennington****6/12– Corina Bolstrom****6/17– Tanner Loresch****6/20– Jim Allen****6/22– Caleb Lucas****6/26– Janet Cameron****6/28– Tyler King****6/28– Diane O'hara****6/28– Hailie Wilson****6/29– Jim Bolstrom****6/29– Mauricio Benitez****6/30– Jessica Wright**



## Elder's Lunch Menu JUNE

| June 2019 Elders Nutrition Program Menu                                                            |                                                                                                                    |                                                                                                          |                                                                                   |                                                                                                                    |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Monday                                                                                             | Tuesday                                                                                                            | Wednesday                                                                                                | Thursday                                                                          | Friday                                                                                                             |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup>                                                                                    | 4 <sup>th</sup>                                                                                                    | 5 <sup>th</sup>                                                                                          | 6 <sup>th</sup>                                                                   | 7 <sup>th</sup>                                                                                                    |
| Burger Dips<br>with au jus<br>WW Mac Salad<br>Green salad<br>Blueberries                           | Chicken Tortilla<br>Soup<br>WW Tortilla<br>chips<br>Green salad<br>Fruit Juice                                     | Pork stir fry with<br>brown rice<br>Egg drop soup<br>Green Salad<br>Blackberries                         | Hamburger<br>Soup with veg-<br>gies<br>WW Rolls<br>Green salad<br>Peaches         | Chicken Salad<br>Sandwiches on<br>WW rolls<br>Veggie soup<br>Green salad<br>Fruit Juice                            |
| 10 <sup>th</sup>                                                                                   | 11 <sup>th</sup>                                                                                                   | 12 <sup>th</sup>                                                                                         | 13 <sup>th</sup>                                                                  | 14 <sup>th</sup>                                                                                                   |
| Baked Ham<br>Boiled Red Po-<br>tatoes<br>WW Rolls<br>Green Salad<br>Blueberries                    | Salmon burgers<br>with condi-<br>ments<br>On WW buns<br>Baked fries<br>Carrot sticks<br>Green salad<br>Fruit Juice | Braised beef with<br>roasted veggies<br>WW rolls<br>Green salad<br>Blackberries                          | BBQ Baked<br>Chicken<br>WW Corn bread<br>Collard greens<br>Green Salad<br>Peaches | Sub sandwiches<br>with turkey and<br>ham<br>WW pasta salad<br>Green Salad<br>Blackberries                          |
| 17 <sup>th</sup>                                                                                   | 18 <sup>th</sup>                                                                                                   | 19 <sup>th</sup>                                                                                         | 20 <sup>th</sup>                                                                  | 21 <sup>st</sup>                                                                                                   |
| Hobo Dish over<br>brown rice<br>Green Beans<br>Green Salad<br>Blueberries                          | Pork burrito<br>bowls with<br>brown rice<br>W/Condiments<br>Tortilla chips<br>Green salad<br>Fruit Juice           | Chicken Caesar<br>Salad wraps/<br>Sandwich with<br>WW<br>Green salad<br>Blackberries                     | Indian Tacos<br>Green Salad<br>Peaches                                            | Cheese tortellini<br>with Italian sau-<br>sage and toma-<br>to sauce<br>Bell peppers<br>Green Salad<br>Fruit Juice |
| 24 <sup>th</sup>                                                                                   | 25 <sup>th</sup>                                                                                                   | 26 <sup>th</sup>                                                                                         | 27 <sup>th</sup>                                                                  | 28 <sup>th</sup>                                                                                                   |
| Chef Salad:<br>Sliced ham,<br>hard boiled<br>eggs, salad<br>greens, ect.<br>WW roll<br>Blueberries | Meat Loaf<br>WW bread<br>Green Beans<br>Green Salad<br>Fruit Juice                                                 | Sesame Chicken<br>over brown rice<br>Asian style veggies<br>Egg drop soup<br>Green Salad<br>Blackberries | Shepard's Pie<br>Roasted Carrots<br>WW Roll<br>Green Salad<br>Peaches             | Build your own<br>sandwiches on<br>WW Bread<br>Cauliflower Sal-<br>ad<br>Green Salad<br>Fruit Juice                |

Jamestown Elders Luncheon will **not** be at Seven Cedars this June.

**The Jamestown Luncheon will be at the Vern Burton on June 28<sup>th</sup>, 2019 Doors open at 10am.**

**Pick-ups starting at 9am for all elders 55 and up.**



## TRIBAL DIRECTORY

### **Tribal Center**

2851 Lower Elwha Road  
Port Angeles, WA 98363  
360.452.8471

**CEO** William (Bill) White, Ext 7469

**COO** of Enterprise Linty Hopie, Ext 7438

**CFO** Froilan Sarmiento, Ext 7463

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## “THE STRONG PEOPLE”

The *Elwha News* is a monthly publication of the Lower Elwha Klallam Tribe to inform, educate and stimulate interest in the Tribe and community affairs. It also raises awareness and respect for the Reservation and its resources. For news articles, please send to the address below by the 18th of the month.

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### ***Upcoming Events:***

### **6/3– NextGen Implementation begins at Lower Elwha Health Department**

**6/7– Headstart/EHS Regalia Pictures (rescheduled from 5/27)**

**6/11– JOM Graduation Ceremony, Class of 2019**

**6/14– Intertribal Song & Dance @ LEKT Dining Hall**

**6/16—Father's Day**

**6/20– Men's Health Day & LEHD Health Fair @ Lower Elwha Health Clinic**

**6/21**— First day of summer, last day for PASD (half-day)

**6/28– Headstart/EHS Graduation**

**Every Wednesday in June– 12pm to 1pm Climate Change Survey**  
@ Tribal Center main hallway

**Classes:**

*Wool Knitting— 5/29, 6/5, 6/12, 6/19 @ LEKT Dining Hall*

Language Webinars—EVERYDAY live @ 1pm (see flyer)0